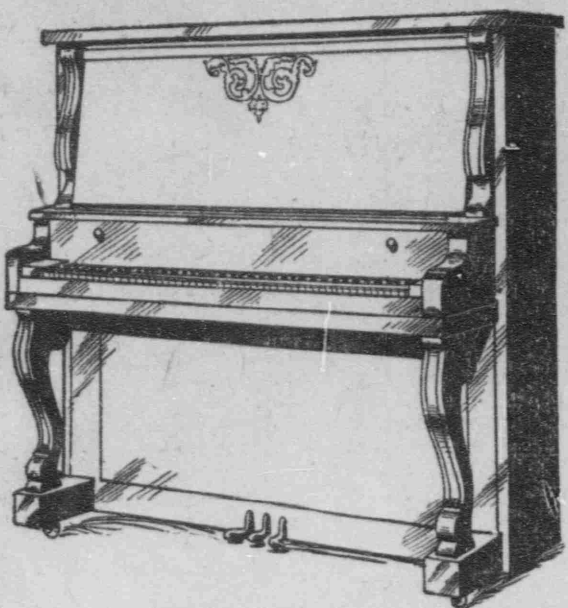


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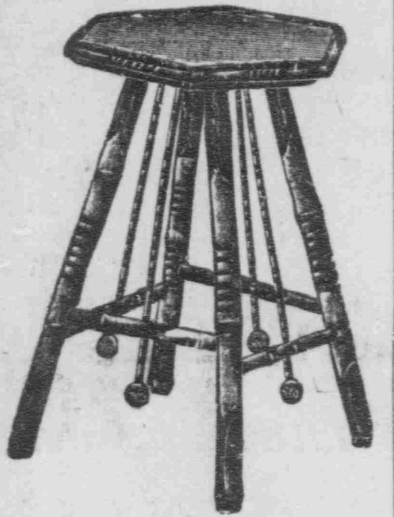
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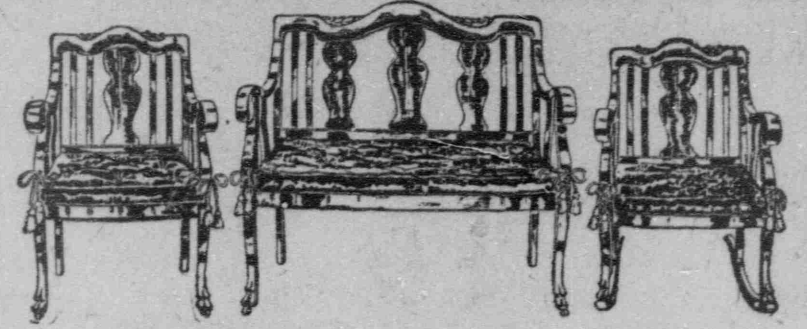
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PRESIDENT ADVOCATES IMPROVEMENT OF NAVY

Shows Necessity for Obtaining Younger Senior Officers of Line—Battle-ship Training Essential.

President Taft sent a special message to Congress yesterday urging the favorable action on Secretary of the Navy Meyer's plan for improving the personnel of the navy.

The President said the line of the navy is in an abnormal condition, the result of past legislation, and that unless the age of the senior officers are materially reduced the future of the navy will be seriously compromised.

Accompanying the special message was a table showing the comparative average ages of officers in principal navies of the world. The average age of captains and rear admirals in the United States navy greatly exceeds that of the other big navies of the world.

The President's message was read in the House of Representatives, the Senate having adjourned over until to-morrow.

WONDERFUL NAVY PLANNED

Secretary Meyer Outlines Views for Improving Our Sea Defense.

House Committee Making Ready for the Battle Ships of Either 25,000 or 30,000 Tons.

Even the official stenographer was barred at an executive session of the committee yesterday when Secretary of the Navy Meyer discussed freely and frankly his plans for making the United States the first sea power of the world.

Were it not for the fact that the Navy Department is still conducting its experiments with the new type of 14-inch gun, he would have asked that the two battle ships that will probably be authorized by the committee this year be made 25,000 or even 30,000 ton vessels.

The House Committee on Naval Affairs is making ready for this immense vessel and others of its type. The naval appropriation bill soon to be reported to the House will contain items aggregating several millions for the enlargement of the three great dry docks now under construction.

"The United States," said a member of the Naval Committee, "will no longer follow in the footsteps of foreign powers in construction matters. In a couple of years we will be leading the world. The tonnage of the great battle ships now under consideration will depend, of course, on the increased tonnage due to the terrifically heavy batteries of the new type of 14-inch guns, but will be not less than 25,000 tons and possibly more."

"Our naval constructors, not so many years ago declared tonnage in ship construction had reached its limit. Now, with 27,000-ton ships about to be authorized by Congress, and a 32,000-ton

ship in prospect, it is difficult to say what the limit will be."

It is estimated that a vessel of the immense size and type suggested will cost not less than \$15,000,000. At the meeting of the Naval Committee it was tentatively agreed to recommend Secretary Meyer's proposition of naval increase as follows:

Two 27,000-ton battle ships to be equipped with either ten 14-inch or twelve 12-inch guns; one repair ship, two colliers, and five submarines.

Gen. Lew Wallace Eulogized.

By special order, yesterday was eulogy day in the House. Representatives Crum-packer, Barnhart, Cline, Adair, Dixon, Barnard, Cullip, Rauch, and Morrison, of Indiana, paid tribute to Gen. Lew Wallace, whose statue was recently unveiled in Statuary Hall. At the conclusion of the eulogies the post-office appropriation bill was taken up.

Representative Gordon Likes Job.

Representative Gordon, of Tennessee, is fond of his job. He wouldn't mind if the term of a member of Congress was a bit longer. So yesterday he introduced in the House a resolution proposing a constitutional amendment to have members of the House elected every four years instead of two.

Would Incorporate Trunk Lines.

Senator Newlands, of Nevada, who, as a member of the Committee on Interstate Commerce, voted against reporting the administration railway bill, will urge in a minority report the national incorporation of trunk lines operating in more than one State.

Busy on Minority Report.

Senators Clapp and Cummins, who will submit an independent minority report, were busy yesterday preparing the document. They do not expect to offer their report to the Senate until the majority report is made public.

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RELIEF FOR VETERANS.

Bill Provides Allowance for War-time Prisoners.

A proposition that the government make a special allowance to surviving veterans of the Union army who were confined in Confederate prisons during the civil war was advocated before the House Committee on War Claims yesterday by Representative Taylor, of Ohio. Mr. Taylor has introduced a bill which fixes the proposed allowance at \$2 per day to each veteran who was imprisoned thirty days or more.

He explained that according to statistics approximately 15,000 men would be beneficiaries of such a measure, and the total expense to the government would not exceed \$3,000,000.

COL. GORDON SCORED KNOCKOUT

Hundreds Request Copies of Farewell Speech in Senate.

Some idea of the interest aroused in Col. James Gordon's farewell speech from the floor of the Senate the other day may be gained from the fact that the supply of Congressional Records for that day's proceedings has already been exhausted. Every Senator has received hundreds of letters asking for copies. Col. Gordon himself has received so many letters and telegrams of congratulations that he has almost given up hope of being able to answer them all.

It became known yesterday that the verses which he is supposed to have perpetrated on Senator Brown, of Nebraska, the other day, really were written by Vice President Sherman. The story as given out was that Col. Gordon had written the verses while he was presiding over the Senate, but it seems that the Vice President was moved to try his hand at verse writing, and then blamed it on the colonel.

Col. Gordon's farewell theater party will take place to-morrow night. He has given each Senator two tickets. The theater management wanted to give the colonel complimentary tickets, but even if he is no longer a multi-millionaire, he declined them, and insisted on paying for the entire Senate out of his own pocket.

JILTED PASTOR GETS DIVORCE.

Story of Wife Admitting Lack of Moral Fiber Is Retold.

Albany, Feb. 25.—Rev. William S. Morgan, Ph. D., pastor of the First Unitarian Church, was granted an interlocutory judgment of divorce to-day by Justice Howard.

One day while Mr. Morgan was visiting at Scranton, Dr. Arthur C. Leslie, then an interne at a New Haven hospital, was summoned to attend Mrs. Morgan for a sprained ankle. When Mr. Morgan got home he found Dr. Leslie installed as a regular boarder. There was read in evidence a confession of Mrs. Morgan for her unfaithfulness. Praising her husband's goodness, she admitted her greater love for the medical man, and ascribed her acts to a lack of moral fiber.

HEEL OF THE LAW ON STEEL STRIKERS

Additional Constabulary at Bethlehem Subdue Riots.

South Bethlehem, Pa., Feb. 26.—The strike at the Bethlehem Steel Company assumed a critical stage to-day. This morning, in response to the demand of Sheriff Robert Pearson on Gov. Stuart for State protection, a section of Company B, State constabulary, was rushed here. To-night another detachment of constabulary arrived because of the rioting, in which Joseph Szambo was killed, another foreigner shot in the face, and scores of others suffered injuries that were either inflicted by the constabulary riot clubs or by brickbats thrown by the rioters.

The steel works did not open to-day, but will resume on Monday with police protection.

The trouble that resulted most seriously occurred in front of the main offices of the steel company. Here the constabulary charged pell mell into a mob of howling, jeering strikers and sympathizers. When riot clubs did not bring the desired results, the constabulary drew their 44-calibers and fired them in the air to scare the rioters. One bullet plowed into the brain of Joseph Szambo as he stood before the bar in the Majestic Hotel, killing him almost instantly. Another striker had part of his face shot away.

The town is under heavy guard, with martial law imminent. All the saloons are closed, and the strikers are expected to break out into open rebellion at any moment.

ADDS CONSERVATION BILL.

Taft Puts New Measure on Administration Programme.

President Taft added one more bill to the administration programme yesterday. After a conference with Senator Smoot, of Utah, chairman of a Senate subcommittee which has been considering the President's conservation measures, it was made known that Mr. Taft has put on his list the general "classification" conservation bill introduced in Congress several weeks ago, following the special message on conservation.

The general classification bill provides that lands included within forest reserves, but which are really agricultural or mineral lands, and not forest lands, be withdrawn from forest reserves and reclassified. Senator Smoot, it was said, agreed with the President yesterday that this bill be put on the administration "calendar."

Jobbers report a better business this week in low cost printed wash goods for the summer counters.

SOUTH MAY ORGANIZE STRIFE IMMINENT IN D. A. R. CIRCLES

Plans Considered at Meeting of the State Societies.

Plans for the organization of a Southern society were made last night at the meetings of the Missouri, Mississippi, Texas, and Arkansas societies in Pythian Temple.

The State society members are enthusiastic over the project for a general alliance of the organizations, and its success seems assured.

Secretary of War Dickinson, Gifford Pinchot, and several Southern Congressmen have been asked to speak at the meeting for organization at the Arlington Hotel next Friday. Representatives from the different State societies will meet at that time, and efforts will be made to organize officers branches to be under the general Southern alliance.

Judge J. L. Leavitt addressed the meeting of the Missouri Society at Pythian Temple last night. He talked interestingly of his recent trip to Europe. There was a large attendance, this society being one of the most flourishing of the State organizations.

Natives of Mississippi held a social session at which an excellent musical and social programme was given.

The Arkansas Society meeting was in the nature of a reorganization, and the following officers were elected: President, E. L. Givins; vice president, S. W. Rogers; secretary, Miss Ada Nixon; treasurer, Miss Beverly Buchanan; historian, J. A. Bostick.

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Illegal acts on the part of the present administration. The matter has been placed in the hands of an able attorney, and meetings of the D. A. R. will be held to take steps looking to an impeachment."

Several months ago the anti-administration faction held a series of meetings behind closed doors where ways and means to undermine the strength of the party in power were discussed, but evidently nothing specific of enough importance to be taken before a D. A. R. general meeting could be found.

When the facts behind Miss Gerald's case became known, there was rejoicing in the camp of the conservatives.

The anti-administration Daughters stand together in support of Mrs. William Cummings Story, of New York, as the next president general. Mrs. Gerald is, and has been for months, a staunch supporter of the conservative's candidate. When Mrs. Story visited Washington shortly after Christmas she was enthusiastically greeted by her boomers, and some of the administration Daughters hinted that the New York candidate obtained many promises of future support before she went back to Manhattan.

Charge Too Vague.

The daughters who have come to the rescue of Miss Gerald say that Mrs. Scott should have made specific charges in an open meeting and produced proof to support them. They assert the word "subordination" is too vague, and that even if Mrs. Scott was justified, the friends of the girl have the right to demand details.

Just how soon the case will be thrashed out is undecided, but friends of Mrs. Gerald and her daughter want an immediate investigation, and hint darkly at legal proceedings if the affair is not treated properly by the administration.

Coming within six weeks of a national D. A. R. gathering, the case has attracted more attention than it would have ordinarily, and it may be left to a vote of the national body finally.

BOMB EXPLODES TOO SOON.

Three Fingers Torn from Italian, Who Disappears.

New York, Feb. 26.—A bomb which exploded before its appointed time, a runaway Italian, and the disappearance of a man who left several fingers, conspired to get East Sixty-fifth street into excitement to-night.

The bomb exploded in the rooms of Leo Barry, an Italian mechanic. Immediately thereafter, Mr. Barry disappeared. A search of the smoke-filled rooms showed three fingers lying on the floor. The owner of the fingers escaped through the cellar while the janitor was fetching the police. The janitor was the only one to be locked up.

His name is Hermann Warner.

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PETROSINO MURDER SUSPECT CAPTURED

Italian Chased Since Detective Was Slain.

New Orleans, Feb. 26.—An Italian who has been traced across two continents was arrested Saturday afternoon at the request of the Department of Immigration on the charge of being connected with the Petrosino killing. His name is Giuseppe Calamia, and he was taken into custody by Detectives Glynn and Mullen and Immigration Inspector Trezevik.

The arrest was effected at 97 Decatur street, where the Italian was stopping, and the police are now seeking another Italian, who is known to have accompanied Calamia to this country.

Exactly what connection Calamia had with the murder of Petrosino, of New York, who was killed in Italy, is not known. The police authorities here only know that they were advised from Washington of the coming of the Italian and his partner, and the necessity for his capture.

It is stated that Calamia and his pal left Italy immediately after the investigation into the killing of Petrosino and came to New Orleans via New York. His movements were traced by the Washington authorities, and his arrest followed.

Calamia is being held at the Parish prison to await deportation. He refuses to talk. According to persons in the Italian colony Calamia is known under another name in New York. They claim he was one of the instigators of the plot against Lieut. Petrosino, if he was not one of the assassins actually connected with the plot's execution.

Commissioner General of Immigration Keefe says he knows nothing of the situation of Giuseppe Calamia in New Orleans.

John E. Wilkie, Chief of the Secret Service, also said he knew nothing about the Italian.

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